GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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SETTING UP OF MATERNITY CENTRES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is contemplating to set up maternity centres for rural women at every five kilometers in the rural area;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR HEALTH & FAMILY WELFARE (SMT. PANABAKA LAKSHMI)

(a) & (b) : Primary health care services including maternity facilities/services in rural areas are provided through a network of a three tier infrastructure system based on the following population norms:

Centre	Population Norms	
	Plain Area	Hilly/Tribal Area
Sub Centre	3000	5000
Primary Health Centre	20000	30000
Community Health Centre	80000	120000

As on March, 2007 there are a total of 145272 Sub-centres, 22370 PHCs and 4045 CHCs functioning in the country.

(c) : These Centres are run by the State/UT Governments. Under National Rural Health Mission [NRHM], funds are released to States/UTs Governments for upgradation/strengthening/establishment of new Centres. The States/UTs Governments are however required to incorporate their requirement in their annual NRHM Programme Implementation Plans[PIP].